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FOR AMBASSADOR FROM LANDE - NEA ONLY

E.O. 11652:GDS

TAGS: EAID, AF, US

SUBJECT: AID FOLLOW-THROUGH

REF: (A) KABUL 6045, (B) KABUL 5998, (C) GENEVA 6557

1. REF A WAS PRECISELY WHAT WAS NEEDED TO GET THE BUREAU-  
CRACY FOCUSING ON THE FOLLOW-THROUGH TO THE SECRETARY'S  
VISIT. YOUR RECOMMENDATIONS STRUCK US AS RIGHT ON TARGET.  
WE HAVE HAD PRELIMINARY MEETING WITH NOOTER ET AL AND ARE  
IN THE PROCESS OF FORMULATING A PACKAGE WHICH WE HOPE TO  
SEND FORWARD FOR DECISION LATE THIS WEEK OR EARLY NEXT.

2. RE REFS B AND C, THE AID BUREAUCRACY HAS DOUBTS WHETHER  
THERE REALLY WAS MUCH OF A DISASTER AND, EVEN IF THIS WERE  
THE CASE, WHETHER YOUR PROCEDURAL RECOMMENDATIONS ARE THE  
BEST WAY TO DEAL WITH IT. THE PROBLEM IS NOT MONEY (AID HAS  
SOME ADDITIONAL FUNDS) BUT RATHER HOW MUCH AND HOW. IF YOU  
THINK THAT WE SHOULD ACTIVELY PURSUE THIS MATTER, YOU MIGHT  
WANT TO SEND IN ANOTHER GENERAL DISTRIBUTION MESSAGE (WITH-  
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OUT REFERRING TO THIS) GIVING MORE SPECIFICS ON THE DISASTER

AND WHY IT HAS TAKEN SO LONG FOR THIS REQUEST TO SURFACE.

3. AID (AND WE) ARE DUBIOUS ABOUT THE RECOMMENDATION IN  
PARA 4, REF B. WE ARE INCLINED TO FAVOR A USG CONTRIBU-  
TION TO A GOA GENERAL RELIEF FUND AND NOT REPEAT NOT TIED  
TO A SPECIFIC GEOGRAPHIC AREA. FOR EXAMPLE, FUNDS COULD BE  
GRANTED TO CARE, RED CRESCENT AND OR ANOTHER SIMILAR ORGANI-  
ZATION. IF WE WERE TO GO THIS ROUTE, WHAT WOULD BE YOUR  
PREFERENCE? WE WANT TO AVOID A SITUATION WHERE WE LATER  
GET KIBBITZERS LOOKING INTO A CLEARLY IDENTIFIABLE GEO-  
GRAPHICAL AREA WHERE WE CONCENTRATED OUR ASSISTANCE AND  
RAISING SUCH QUESTIONS AS WHY WE FURNISHED AID TO A  
LIMITED NUMBER OF PEOPLE FAR IN EXCESS OF THEIR AVERAGE  
ANNUAL INCOME. WE MIGHT HAVE ANSWERS TO ALL THE QUESTIONS  
THAT COULD ARISE BUT WOULD PREFER TO AVOID ALL THE TROUBLE  
INVOLVED FOR A RELATIVELY SMALL SUM OF MONEY. IF WE GO  
THE BLOCK GRANT ROUTE, WHAT MINIMUM DO YOU THINK WOULD MEET  
OPTICAL/POLITICAL NEEDS? KISSINGER

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